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INFORMATION ON GDR EXPORTS TO CHINA, NOVEMBER 1951 - MARCH 1952

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The overland shipments to China listed below were sent from the GDR to Otpor, at the USSR-China border, presumable for forwarding to Peiping. Goods to be sent to China by ship were sent to Gdansk, Poland.

The following abbreviations are used in the attached tables:

VVB -- Federation of People-Owned Enterprises

VEB -- People-owned enterprise

DIA -- Intra-German and Foreign Trade Agency

SAG -- Soviet Corporation

Parts I and II in this report itemize shipments by rail from Cottbus to Otpor on 8 February 1952, and from Gera to Otpor on 29 February 1952, respectively. Part III summarizes fragmentary information on GDR shipments to China

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I. GDR COMMODITIES SHIPPED BY RAIL FROM COTTBUS TO OTPOR ON 8 FEBRUARY 1952 FOR ACCOUNT OF CHINA NATIONAL IMPORT CORPORATION IN PEIPING

Commodity	No. of Cases	Gross Weight (kg)	Value (rubles)	Supplier	Consignor
Colloid grinder	1	480	5,575.10	Dreyer & Holland-Merzen, Sangerhausen	DIA-Feinwerk Technik (DIA for Precision Instruments)
Precision suction pumps	3	90	873.94	Praecisa VVB EKW Werk (Praecisa Plant of the VVB "West" Metallurgical Combine), Chemnitz	DIA-Feinwerk Technik
Computing machines	5	144	2,999.70	Mercedes Buero-maschinen Werke AG (Mercedes Office-Machine Plant, Incorporated), Zella-Mehlis	" " "
Heliographic printing machines	10	3,740	33,200.00	VVB Optik (VVB for the Precision Instrument and Optical Bad Liebenwerda	" " "
Workshop slide gauges	1	116	9,045.60	Keilpart & Co., Suhl	" " "
Slide gauges	1	33	881.90	" " " "	" " "
Micrometers	5	500	21,756.00	" " " "	" " "
Computing machines	1	26	929.20	VEB Mechanik Triumphator (Triumphator VEB for Precision Instruments), Moelkau near Leipzig	" " "

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Computing machines	17	500	10,207.60	Mercedes Buero-maschinen Werke AG, Zella-Mehlis	DIA-Feinwerk Technik		
" "	5	141	2,999.70	Same as above	"	"	"
" "	5	145	2,999.70	Same as above	"	"	"
" "	1	29	599.94	Same as above	"	"	"
" "	1	29	599.94	Same as above	"	"	"
High-vacuum rotary slide-valve pumps	2	164.5	2,251.00	Mechanik Labor-Pruefgeraetebau (Laboratory Test Equipment Plant of /the VVB for/ Precision Instruments), Chemnitz	"	"	"
High-vacuum rotary slide-valve pumps	2	179.5	2,267.00	Same as above	"	"	"
Measuring tools	1	7.7	197.10	Keilpart & Co, Suhl	"	"	"
Slide gauges, micrometers, etc.	1	72.0	4,109.90	Same as above	"	"	"
Dial slide gauges and hair-line scales	1	47.0	936.36	Same as above	"	"	"
Measuring instruments	2	163	7,375.50	Same as above	"	"	"
Slide gauges, micrometers, etc.	1	41	1,356.40	Same as above	"	"	"
Slide gauges, etc.	1	57	1,559.00	Same as above	"	"	"
Measuring tools	1	30	629.80	Same as above	"	"	"
Drawing instruments and attachments	1	2.25	57.07	Same as above	"	"	"

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Hand calorimeters and auxiliary equipment	1	90	594.00	Mechanik Junkalor, (Junkaler Precision Instrument Works), Dessau	DIA-Feinwerk Technik		
Calorimeters, gasometers for experimental purposes, gas-pressure regulators	1	107	662.50	Same as above	"	"	"
Gasometers for experimental purposes	1	50	179.90	Same as above	"	"	"
Hand calorimeters, gasometers for experimental purposes, gas-pressure regulators, calibrating equipment	1	102	662.50	Same as above	"	"	"
Calorimeters, gasometers for experimental purposes, gas-pressure regulators, calibrating equipment	1	107	667.60	Same as above	"	"	"
Electric measuring instruments	1	135	1,263.95	Same as above	"	"	"
Gasometers for experimental purposes	1	131	1,079.20	Same as above	"	"	"
Gasometers for experimental purposes	1	45	179.65	Same as above	"	"	"
Gasometers for experimental purposes	1	50	356.10	Same as above	"	"	"
Gasometers for experimental purposes	2	108	397.30	Same as above	"	"	"
Slide gauges	1	23.7	1,227.35	Technisch-Physikalische Werkstaetten (Technical Physical Workshops), Thalheim/Erzgebirge	"	"	"

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Conditioners	1	413.5	3,202.00	Mechanik Laborpruefgeraetebau, Chemnitz	DIA-Feinwerk Technik		
Welding and cutting torches	1	19	332.10	SAG Transmasch, Magdeburg-Buckau	"	"	"
Dual-control manometers	1	10	432.00	Same as above	"	"	"
"Elmendorf" testing devices	1	32	604.40	F. R. Peller [?] Leipzig	"	"	"
Measuring tools	1	59	1,480.40	Keilpart & Co, Suhl	"	"	"
Measuring tools	1	6.92	698.80	Same as above	"	"	"
Drum hydrographs	1	22	319.70	Mechanik VVB, Messgeraetewerk (VVB for Precision Instruments, Measuring Instrument Works), Quedlinburg	"	"	"
Ortex one-color temperature recording instruments, etc.	1	51	1,452.00	SAG Transmasch, Magdeburg	"	"	"
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	2.7	94.84	E. O. Richter & Co, Chemnitz	"	"	"
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	22.9	1,244.00	Same as above	"	"	"
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	38.2	1,929.05	E. O. Richter & Co, Chemnitz	"	"	"
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	11	544.40	Same as above	"	"	"
Drawing instruments and attachments	1	2.5	98.55	Same as above	"	"	"
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	38.8	2,323.70	Same as above	"	"	"
Drawing instruments and attachments	1	53.8	1,973.68	Same as above	"	"	"

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Drawing instruments and attachments	1	42.7		2,031.30	E. O. Richter & Co. Chemnitz	DIA-Feinwerk Technik
Drawing instruments and drawing pens	1	6.4		366.50	Same as above	" " "
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	12		622.00	Same as above	" " "
"Kopernikus" drawing instruments	1	56		2,701.10	Same as above	" " "
Selectograph and measuring gauge	1	87		2,401.44	VVB Optik, Thalheim, Erzgebirge	DIA- Elektrotechnik (DIA for the Electrical Industry)
Insulating tubing	1	6.2	(DM)	11.54	IKA Isolierwerk (Insulating Material Plant of the [VVB for] Fixtures, Cable, and Equipment) Zehdenick/Mark	DIA-Chemie (DIA for the Chemical Industry)
Ball mills and balls	1	83		385.50	VEB Porzellanfabrik Neuhaus (VEB Neuhaus Porcelain Factory) Neuhaus-Schiern	DIA Glas und Keramik (DIA for the Glass and Ceramics Industry)
Test tube boxes	1	17.9		457.58	Richard Kligge [?] Plaue/Havel	DIA-Feinwerk Technik
Ball mills made of porcelain	1	28		102.50	VEB, Porzellanfabrik Neuhaus Neuhaus-Schiern	DIA-Glas und Keramik
Swivel chairs and headstocks	2	50		3,691.60	Gustav Klett, Benshausen, Thueringen	DIA-Feinwerk Technik
Holders for thread cutters	1	233		4,720.00	A. Meiselbach Nachfolger (Successors to A. Meiselbach), Leipzig	" " "

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Oil-varnished tubing	1	7.2	(DM) 49.90	IKA Isolierwerk, Zehdenick/Mark	DIA-Chemie
"Didi" plastic material*	8	64	1,440.00	SAG Stickstoffwerk Piesteritz (Piesteritz Nitrogen Plant of the SAG for Mineral Fertilizer), Wittenberg	" "
Welding converters	2	1,100	5,760.28	VEB, Kjellberg Finsterwalde	DIA-Elektrotechnik
Calendars [perhaps advertising material]	1	126		SAG Maschinenbau AMO (Machine-Building Plant of SAG AMO), Magdeburg	
		10,970.37			

* [Tasteless, odorless, waterproof, and nonfading powdery plastic material for the production of industrial and household articles; produced in black and in colors, also colorless.]

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II. GDR COMMODITIES SHIPPED BY RAIL FROM GERA TO OTPOR ON 29 FEBRUARY 1952 FOR ACCOUNT OF CHINA NATIONAL IMPORT CORPORATION IN PEIPING

Commodity	No of Cases	Gross Weight (kg)	Net Weight (kg)	Value (rubles)	Supplier
Optical instruments	1	74	42	4,103.00	Optik, Carl Zeiss, Jena
" "	2	168	108.3	10,102.10	" " " "
" "	1	70	45.9	10,979.65	" " " "
" "	1	24	4.7	468.65	" " " "
" "	2	189	121.5	2,525.80	" " " "
" "	2	204	144	3,313.50	" " " "
" "	1	28	6.5	1,844.95	" " " "
" "	1	32	14.5	931.80	" " " "
" "	1	6.4	3.4	1,118.40	" " " "
" "	44	4,161	2,323	203,412.65	" " " "
" "	1	73	33.5	3,877.85	" " " "
" "	1	33	14.8	2,386.80	" " " "
" "	1	29	10.2	1,050.80	" " " "
" "	1	28	15.5	1,030.00	" " " "
" "	1	29	10.5	1,050.80	" " " "
" "	1	29	10.5	1,050.85	" " " "

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Optical instruments	1	74	36	8,151.20	Optik, Carl Zeiss, Jena
" "	4	447	245	9,768.40	" " " "
" "	1	45	21	2,071.00	" " " "
" "	4	437	241.5	9,686.50	" " " "
" "	6	536	311.3	28,566.60	" " " "
" "	4	446	245	10,084.90	" " " "
" "	4	296	170.7	2,132.80	" " " "
Glass tubes	6	523	360	1,961.00	Optik, Jenaer Glaswerke Schott und Genossen Jena Glass Works, Schott and Associates), Jena
Hollow glass	1	4.0	2.6	1,507.94	Same as above
" "	1	29	3	166.69	Same as above
Optical glass	2	68	50	2,171.50	Same as above
Laboratory glass	1	41	9	431.30	Same as above
" "	1	4	0.6	55.89	Same as above
Optical glass	2	67	50	690.39	Same as above
" "	1	8	6	3,870.00	Same as above
" "	1	53	22	872.30	Same as above

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Hollow glass	2	108	20	318.29	Optik, Jenaer Glaswerke Schott und Genossen (Jena Glass Works, Schott and Associates), Jena
" "	1	2	0.6	35.00	Same as above
" "	1	106	36	326.50	Optik, Jenaer Glaswerk Schott und Genossen, Jena
" "	1	13	7	69.44	Same as above
" "	1	1.1	0.5	289.12	Same as above
" "	1	1.8	0.5	266.55	Same as above
Condensers	2	137	46	6,076.19	Keramisches Werk Hescho-Kahle [?] (Hescho-Kahle Ceramic Works), Herzsdorf*
"	1	40	15	1,417.27	Same as above

Freight charges for the above shipment (a total of 11.159.9 kilograms) amounted to 6,045.50 DM between Kuestrin and Manchuria

*Consigned by DIA-Elektrotechnik.

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III. MISCELLANEOUS SHIPPING DATA

1. On 4 March 1952, the following commodities were forwarded to China by rail via the overland route [presumably to Otpor]:

Commodity	No of Cases	Weight (kg)	Value (rubles)	Consignor
Diamond putty	1	15	73.60	DIA-Chemie
Equipment	1	86	990.00	DIA-Feinmechanik Optik (DIA for the Precision Instrument and Optical Industry)
Strength testers	1	82	2,635.70	Same as above
Tension and compression testing machines	6	12,134	95,472.00	Same as above
Laboratory centrifuge	1	31	228.35	Same as above
Tape-recording equipment	4	489.5	11,450.00	DIA-Elektrotechnik
Geiger counters (Zaehlrohre)	1	35	1,320.80	" "

2. On 5 January 1952, DERUTRA sent 51 cases and two packages of tools from the DIA-Elektrotechnik to China by rail. The shipment weighed 10,279 kilograms; the freight charges amounted to 6,223.70 DM. [No further details given.]

3. Transit permits for shipments to China were issued 11 March 1952 for the following goods from DIA-Elektrotechnik:

Commodity	No of Cases	Weight (kg)
Tension and compression testing machines	5	7,935
Circular grinding machines	3	10,650
Miscellaneous goods	90	4,754
Tension and compression testing machines	15	14,235
Wheel extrusion presses	2	5,100

4. On 28 November 1951, DERUTRA forwarded 100 cases of hum-eliminator coils to Gdansk by rail for transshipment to China; weight of shipment; 10,800 kilograms; supplier, IKA Elektrowerkzeuge Apparate (Electric Tools and Apparatus Works of [the VVB for] Fixtures, Cable, and Equipment), Sebnitz/Sachsen.

5. On 3 March 1952, the following commodities were sent from Rostock to Gdansk for transshipment to China:

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Commodity	No of Cases	Weight (kg)	Supplier	Consignor	Freight and Other Expenses (DM)
Music chest	1	174	RFT Stern-Radio (Stern Radio Plant of /the VVB for/ Radio and Telecommunications), Stassfurt	DIA-Elektro-technik	25.35
Moving coil ammeters	1	70	Elektro-Apparate-Werke (Electric Apparatus Works), Berlin		
Wavemeters	2	(gross, 160) (net, 68)	RFT Funkwerk (Radio Plant of /the VVB for/ Radio and Telecommunications), Erfurt		

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